What is claimed is:

1. A method for managing information, comprising:

modeling a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model;

converting said logical model into a first derived subject model;

converting said first derived subject model into a first physical model; and

mapping at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model.

2. The method of claim 1, said first logical model comprising at least one of a central concept entity, a static attribute entity, a dynamic attribute entity, an activities/events entity.

3. The method of claim 1, said first derived subject model comprising at least one of a core component, and at least one of a plurality of customized group components.

4. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

analyzing said first plurality of information entities using applications based upon input of said first logical model.

5. The method of claim 4, said applications comprising at least one of statistics, a report generator, an On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) package, and a data mining application.

6. The method of claim 1, mapping at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model comprises:

creating metadata information for said models; and

saving said metadata information in a repository.

7. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

modeling a second plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a second logical model;

converting said second logical model into a second derived subject model;

converting said second derived subject model into a second physical model; and

mapping at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said second plurality of information entities based upon said second physical model.

8. The method of claim 7, further comprising:

analyzing said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities using applications based upon input from said first logical model and said second logical model, said applications deriving new relationships between said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities.

9. A system for managing data, comprising:

a computer;

an information store, operable to contain said data;

a database interface software process that maintains said data in said information store;

a metadata repository;

a query/command generator software process that provides access to said data;

a repository interface software process that provides access to said metadata;

a scheduler software process; and

a user interface software process that controls input to and output from said metadata repository, said database interface software process, said query/command generator software process, and said scheduler.

10. A computer program product for managing information, said computer program product comprising:

code that models a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model;

code that converts said logical model into a first derived subject model;

code that converts said first derived subject model into a first physical model;

code that maps at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model; and

a computer readable storage medium for holding the codes.

11. The computer program product of claim 10, said first logical model comprising at least one of a central concept entity, a static attribute entity, a dynamic attribute entity, an activities/events entity.

12. The computer program product of claim 10, said first derived subject model comprising at least one of a core component, and at least one of a plurality of customized group components.

13. The computer program product of claim 10 further comprising:

code that analyzes said first plurality of information entities using applications based upon input of said first logical model.

14. The computer program product of claim 13, said applications comprising at least one of statistics, a report generator, an On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) package, and a data mining application.

15. The computer program product of claim 10, wherein said code that maps at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model comprises:

code that creates metadata information for said models; and

code that saves said metadata information in a repository.

16. The computer program product of claim 10, further comprising:

code that models a second plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a second logical model;

code that converts said second logical model into a second derived subject model;

code that converts said second derived subject model into a second physical model; and

code that maps at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said second plurality of information entities based upon said second physical model.

17. The computer program of claim 16, further comprising:

code that analyzes said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities using applications based upon input from said first logical model and said second logical model, said applications deriving new relationships between said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities.

18. A computer memory, having stored thereon data, said data comprising:

a first central concept entity;

a first static attribute entity;

a first dynamic attribute entity; and

a first activities/events entity, wherein said first central concept entity, said first static attribute entity, said first dynamic attribute entity, and said first activities/events entity are related by a first subject model.

19. The computer memory of claim 18, said data further comprising:

a second central concept entity;

a second static attribute entity;

a second dynamic attribute entity; and

a second activities/events entity, wherein said second central concept entity, said second static attribute entity, said second dynamic attribute entity, and said second activities/events entity are related by a second subject model.

20. An apparatus for managing information, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory;

wherein said processor is operative to model a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model; said processor is further operative to convert said logical model into a first derived subject model; and to convert said first derived subject model into a first physical model; and

thereupon to map at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model; wherein said first entity and said second entity are stored in said memory.

21. The apparatus of claim 20, said first logical model comprising at least one of a central concept entity, a static attribute entity, a dynamic attribute entity, an activities/events entity.

22. The apparatus of claim 20, said first derived subject model comprising at least one of a core component, and at least one of a plurality of customized group components.

23. The apparatus of claim 20, wherein said processor is further operative to analyze said first plurality of information entities using applications based upon input of said first logical model.

24. The apparatus of claim 23, said applications comprising at least one of statistics, a report generator, an On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) package, and a data mining application.

25. The apparatus of claim 20, wherein said processor is operative to:

create metadata information for said models; and

save said metadata information in a repository when said processor maps at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model.

26. The apparatus of claim 20, wherein said processor is further operative to:

model a second plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a second logical model;

convert said second logical model into a second derived subject model;

convert said second derived subject model into a second physical model; and

map at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said second plurality of information entities based upon said second physical model.

27. The apparatus of claim 26, wherein said processor is further operative to:

analyze said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities using applications based upon input from said first logical model and said second logical model, said applications deriving new relationships between said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities.

28. A client apparatus, comprising:

a processor;

a memory; and

a display; wherein said processor causes said display to:

display a first logical model, said first logical model modeling a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity;

display a first derived subject model, said first derived subject model obtained from said logical model;

display a first physical model, said first physical model obtained from said first derived subject model; wherein at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities exists based upon said first physical model.

29. The apparatus of claim 28, said first logical model comprising at least one of a central concept entity, a static attribute entity, a dynamic attribute entity, an activities/events entity.

30. The apparatus of claim 28, said first derived subject model comprising at least one of a core component, and at least one of a plurality of customized group components.

31. The apparatus of claim 28, wherein said processor is further operative to display a result obtained from analyzing said first plurality of information entities using applications based upon input of said first logical model.

32. The apparatus of claim 31, said applications comprising at least one of statistics, a report generator, an On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) package, and a data mining application.

33. The apparatus of claim 28, wherein said processor is operative to:

display a result obtained from creating metadata information for said models; and saving said metadata information in a repository when said processor maps at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model.

34. The apparatus of claim 28, wherein said processor is further operative to:

display a second logical model, said second logical model modeling a second plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity;

display a second derived subject model obtained from said second logical model;

display a second physical model obtained from said second derived subject model;

wherein at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said second plurality of information entities exists based upon said second physical model.

35. The apparatus of claim 34, wherein said processor is further operative to:

display a result obtained from analyzing said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities using applications based upon input from said first logical model and said second logical model, said applications deriving new relationships between said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities.

36. A method for managing information, comprising:

modeling a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model;

converting said logical model into a first physical model; and

mapping at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model.

37. The method of claim 36, said first logical model comprising at least one of a central concept entity, a static attribute entity, a dynamic attribute entity, an activities/events entity.

38. The method of claim 36, further comprising:

analyzing said first plurality of information entities using applications based upon input of said first logical model.

39. The method of claim 38, said applications comprising at least one of statistics, a report generator, an On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) package, and a data mining application.

40. The apparatus of claim 36, wherein mapping at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model comprises:

creating metadata information for said models; and

saving said metadata information in a repository when said processor.

41. The method of claim 36, further comprising:

modeling a second plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a second logical model;

converting said second logical model into a second physical model; and

mapping at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said second plurality of information entities based upon said second physical model.

42. The method of claim 41, further comprising:

analyzing said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities using applications based upon input from said first logical model and said second logical model, said applications deriving new relationships between said first plurality of information entities and said second plurality of information entities.

43. A computer program product for managing information, said computer program product comprising:

code that models a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model;

code that converts said logical model into a first physical model;

code that maps at least one relationship among said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model; and

a computer readable storage medium for holding the codes.

44. An apparatus for managing information, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory;

wherein said processor is operative to model a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity, using a first logical model; said processor is further operative to convert said logical model into a first physical model; and thereupon to map at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities based upon said first physical model; wherein said first entity and said second entity are stored in said memory.

45. A client apparatus, comprising:

a processor;

a memory; and

a display; wherein said processor causes said display to:

display a first logical model, said first logical model modeling a first plurality of information entities, including a first entity and a second entity;

display a first physical model, said first physical model obtained from said first logical model; wherein at least one relationship between said first entity and said second entity of said first plurality of information entities exists based upon said first physical model.

46. A method for analyzing information, comprising:

retrieving metadata information from a repository;

creating at least one of a plurality of commands based upon said metadata information;

sending said at least one of a plurality of commands to a database;

providing information received from said database responsive to said at least one of a plurality of commands to at least one of a plurality of applications; and

creating at least one of a plurality of reports from a result of said at least one of a plurality of applications.

47. The method of claim 46, wherein said metadata information comprises at least one of a model, a mapping, a derived attributes definition, and a profiling definition.

48. A computer program product for analyzing information, comprising:

code that retrieves metadata information from a repository;

code that creates at least one of a plurality of commands based upon said metadata information;

code sends said at least one of a plurality of commands to a database;

code that provides information received from said database responsive to said at least one of a plurality of commands to at least one of a plurality of applications;

code that creates at least one of a plurality of reports from a result of said at least one of a plurality of applications; and

a computer readable storage medium for storing the codes.

49. An apparatus for analyzing information, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory;

wherein said processor is operative to retrieve metadata information from a repository; create at least one of a plurality of commands based upon said metadata information; send said at least one of a plurality of commands to a database; provide information received from said database responsive to said at least one of a plurality of commands to at least one of a plurality of applications; and create at least one of a plurality of reports from a result of said at least one of a plurality of applications.

50. A client apparatus, comprising:

a processor;

a memory; and

a display; wherein said processor causes said display to display at least one of a plurality of reports from a result of at least one of a plurality of applications acting upon information received from a database responsive to at least one of a plurality of commands created based upon a metadata information retrieved from a repository.